

Chapter 1 : Toward a New Era: Conservative group wants to repeat past naming success - The Mainichi

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One Diet testimony pushed the conservatives into a crisis mode, triggering a deep fear that the Imperial era name system would vanish. If something happens to His Majesty, Showa will vanish at that instant. Then a period of void will begin. The testimony by Tsunoda, the guardian of laws, shed a stark light on the lack of a solid foundation for the era system. Facing such a crisis, a conservative activist devised a strategy to win over Nagatacho. Back then, Murakami was a member in charge of Diet affairs at a conservative group named "Nihon wo Mamoru-kai" society to protect Japan, which was supported by conservative forces such as the Jinja Honcho association of Shinto shrines and the Seicho-No-Ie religious group. The grassroots, three-stage project was formed like this: On the initial state, members formed a "caravan" visiting many locations nationwide to establish local chapters. They then urged their local assemblies to seek the introduction of an era name law. In the final stage, they organized a group of national lawmakers to press the central government to realize the legalization. The Nihon Seinen Kyogi-kai Japan youth council provided campaigners on the ground. The council was a student arm of Seicho-No-Ie and its members included Seiichi Eto, 71, now an upper house lawmaker and special adviser to the prime minister and a Nippon Kaigi senior member, and Nihon University professor emeritus Akira Momochi, Eto, then an Oita Municipal Assembly member in the southern prefecture of Oita, worked hard to get local assemblies to adopt petitions toward the central government to introduce an era name law. Backed by this "public opinion," the activists pressed the government to listen to them. According to press reports around that time, then Prime Minister Takeo Fukuda met with Kazuto Ishida, former Supreme Court chief justice and the head of the national group seeking the establishment of the era name law, on Aug. Fukuda then commented, "I am surprised to know that so many local assemblies passed resolutions" supporting legalization. A national meeting of people seeking the new law on Oct. In June, the Era Name Act became a reality. Nihon wo Mamoru-kai became the Nippon Kaigo in, succeeding the movement know-how accumulated by its predecessor. On the issue of constitutional revisions that Prime Minister Shinzo Abe is seeking, the conference has asked local assemblies to pass resolutions demanding the legal change in a bid to support the premier. Late professor Shoichi Watanabe of Sophia University told a meeting of experts in that the main job of the Emperor is "to pray for the people at the Imperial Palace. Nevertheless, the conservative camp had to give up its position on the abdication issue as a wide variety of people supported the Emperor stepping down. Therefore, the timing of an era announcement is an issue critical to the conservatives. Their strong commitment to the issue is delaying a decision on the release time.

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Quotes[edit] We need governments of the world that work together and collaborate. Courting Peggy McGrath provided me with a very pleasant diversion and eventually with the most important relationship of my life. On courting his wife, as quoted in a review of his Memoirs "Born to Be Mild" by David Brooks in The New York Times 20 October If the disagreement was strong enough, we could end up pretty close to the borderline of incivility. We need governments of the world that work together and collaborate. I have to say that I think for the large part, I would have to decide to describe them as crack pots. In other words, I think the tendency, because of politics and getting elected, is to stress local issues; and of course, they are important. But, I would like to see more of the leaders of our country spend more time traveling for one thing, getting to know the world, and studying history. To me, one of the sad things about our country is that our leadership "to a greater extent than I would like" is more concerned about very domestic issues than they are about our relations in the world. When asked what was wrong with America in an interview with Benjamin Fulford 13 November I think that that has to be related to the problems within our own country. And I think that this is becoming a serious issue. They have to see that the issue of our economy and what influences it is better understood and more successfully addressed. When asked about the worsening condition of the American economy and currency in an interview with Benjamin Fulford 13 November I think that the best hope for peace and prosperity in the world is greater cooperation among nations, which in turn will be produced if both our governments and the people of our countries travel more and get to know each other better. Memoirs [edit] ISBN If that is the charge, I stand guilty, and I am proud of it. The anti-Rockefeller focus of these otherwise incompatible political positions owes much to Populism. Because of my name and prominence as head of the Chase for many years, I have earned the distinction of "conspirator in chief" from some of these people. Populists and isolationists ignore the tangible benefits that have resulted in our active international role during the past half-century. Not only was the very real threat posed by Soviet Communism overcome, but there have been fundamental improvements in societies around the world, particularly in the United States, as a result of global trade, improved communications, and the heightened interaction of people from different cultures. Populists rarely mention these positive consequences, nor can they cogently explain how they would have sustained American economic growth and expansion of our political power without them. But, the world is now much more sophisticated and prepared to march towards a world government. The supranational sovereignty of an intellectual elite and world bankers is surely preferable to the national auto-determination practiced in past centuries. The ultimate source for the quotation is. They embraced every new educational theory, every new artistic style, every new architectural trend, every new business fad. David Brooks in "Born to Be Mild" in The New York Times 20 October Not armies, not nations, have advanced the race; but here and there, in the course of ages, an individual has stood up and cast his shadow over the world. A quotation from 19th-century clergyman Edwin H. Chapin selected by Carla Hills, former U. S. Secretary of State. David certainly understood this early in the game, and has been a tireless and inspirational advocate in this regard. He wears the badge of "proud internationalist" openly, as do I. Anonymous joke from the 1950s, as quoted in The Rockefeller Conscience:

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